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RECYCLING UPDATE

Enfield Recycling Program Reminder – Keep Styrofoam and Plastic Bags Out of Tipper Barrel

Enfield's new recycling program is off to a good start and receiving positive feedback from residents. To address some common recycling mistakes, the Department of Public Works is reminding residents that Styrofoam is not recyclable and cannot be placed in the tipper barrels. Cardboard needs to be broken down to fit in the recycle tipper, it will not be picked up if left on the side of tipper barrel; automated recycling trucks are only equipped to pick up tipper barrels. Plastic bags are not recyclable and prohibit the ability to recycle the contents of the barrel.

The Department of Public Works is in the process of picking up old recycle bins. Bins need to be placed at curbside. They will not be picked up with the solid waste or recycling trucks and may not be picked up on normally scheduled days.

If your tipper barrel is damaged, a bar missing, cover cracked or missing please call the Department of Public Works, Solid Waste Division at 860-763-7560 and we will either fix or replace the barrel.



Residents are encouraged to refer to the packet of information provided with the new tipper barrel. It includes a magnet that indicates the bi-weekly recycling schedule, as well as what can and cannot be recycled.

If you need another recycle tipper barrel you can call 60-763-7560 to ask for another.

Additional recycling information is available on the Town's website. Please call (860) 763-7560 with any questions about the program.



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WHAT'S NEW

Enfield Television's current programming is now available to stream on YouTube.

YouTube allows the station to provide higher quality video and a greater variety of content to residents. All of the public meetings recorded for E-TV are available to watch on the internet as well as public service announcements, commercials and other events covered by the station. Whereas E-TV's previous video streaming service did not offer enough space to store older content, YouTube makes it possible for the town to provide residents with an easily accessible archive of programming.

Videos are usually online the day after the event, sometimes before they are aired on television. Access E-TV's content by visiting www.youtube.com/enfieldtelevision or by visiting the town's webpage, www.enfield-ct.gov, and clicking 'Watch the Live E-TV Stream' and then 'E-TV Web Video On-Demand.'

WHO'S NEW



The Town of Enfield is pleased to announce the appointment of Jim Luczak, P.E. to the position of civil/environmental engineer. Jim will be located in the Planning office and will share his time with Public Works and Development Services; including serving as Wetlands Agent.

Jim has a BS and MS from West Virginia University. He is certified by the U.S. Corps of Engineers in the field of wetland delineation. He is a CT Professional Engineer.

Jim worked for the USDA – Natural Resources Conservation Service and has worked in the private sector on commercial and residential land development, including permitting and design.

Jim brings a wealth of experience to his new duties. He has demonstrated technical skills and excellent customer service capabilities.

Congratulations to all who graduated from one of our Technology Transfer Center Programs this year! Graduates were recognized in a ceremony held at the Student Union Ballroom on the UCONN Storrs campus on October 27th from one or more of the following programs: Road Master Program; Road Scholar Program; Legal Traffic Authority Program and Public Works Academy Program.

These folks have now been added to our Alumni Page found on our T2 Website. To find your name or someone you know, please go to: www.t2center.uconn.edu/t2alumni.php.

Featured to the right are Mark Pliszka and Kenny Boulette, graduates from the Road Master program along with their supervisor Dave Tuttle.





SOCIAL SERVICES NEWS

Building Healthy Kids and Families Workshop

Johnson Memorial Hospital Clinical Nutrition Supervisor, Ann Chickosky, RD, CD-N will present "Building Healthy Kids and Families."

The presentation will feature tips on learning how to build healthy habits early in life, a foundation for healthy lifestyles.

It will be held on **Thursday, January 26 at 6:30 pm** at the Enfield Child Development Center, 110 High Street. Child care and refreshments will be provided.

Please call 253-5144 or email amorales@enfield.org to sign up. Parents, family members and child care providers are invited.

211 Child Care will present Guiding Young Children's Behavior: a workshop for parents and providers

This workshop will address common challenging behaviors in young children. It will provide strategies that providers/parents can use to help guide behavior as children grow and discuss appropriate consequences for different ages/stages of development

Wednesday, January 25, 2012
9:30 a.m.
Alcorn School
1010 Enfield Street

Child Care will be provided. Please contact the FRC at 253-5144 to reserve your space!

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY UPDATE



The Information Technology Department has recently relocated their two offices to one location at Alcorn School. The immediate benefits achieved are the following:

- ◆ All IT employees are now at one location working together to resolve day-to-day issues.
- ◆ A new helpdesk model that houses an IT specialist from each area: Application Support, Desktop Support, Network Support, and Telecommunications Support. All report to one room to quickly resolve immediate requests such as password resets and provide immediate troubleshooting to provide timely resolution or escalation.
- ◆ A technical support lab that allows for the setup and configuration of computers to be quickly and effectively tested, released and deployed.
- ◆ A network testing and training area that allows for enhancements and upgrades to be fully tested prior to moving into production environment limiting risks of negative outcomes.
- ◆ A fully equipped training room with the latest technology to test and train system releases and provide employee training on system functionalities.

A giant thank you goes out to Buildings and Grounds Staff for all the dedicated, and talented work provided in order to get our IT staff relocated to our new home and feeling very comfortable.

Thank you,
Paul A. Russell, Chief Technology Officer



New bathrooms at Sports complex at Enfield High School. Above Rob Lally and Mike Parkman, our lead carpenter. Below Mark Cavanaugh Building and Grounds Plumber.



Santa's Sleigh for
the Annual Torch
Light Parade

Men at Work



Above Buildings and Grounds is converting the step down band room at JFK Middle School, to a new flat floor class room. The room was filled with 40 yards of concrete and tiled creating a new classroom.

ENFIELD'S EMERGENCY RADIO COMMUNICATIONS' NARROWBANDING PROJECT

In 1995 the Federal Government determined that it was necessary to increase the number of radio communications channels available for both emergency public safety agencies and industrial-commercial business use. In order to increase the number of radio frequencies, it was necessary to make them narrower. For example, if a fire department had been operating on a radio frequency that had a bandwidth of 25 kilohertz (also referred to as "kHz"), then under the Federal narrow-banding mandate, they would operate on radio frequency of 12.5 kHz, thus allowing the remaining 12.5 kHz to be used by another fire department or emergency agency, such as police or emergency medical services. Federal law required all agencies – both government and private industry to complete this process by December 31, 2012.



The Town of Enfield and the 5 Fire Departments of Enfield have been working together for the past several years to meet this mandate, which for Enfield will cost 4.4 million dollars. The Town was able to secure a Federal grant of \$750,000 to help reduce the local cost impact, and the remainder of funds will be paid through a lease-purchase agreement with Motorola and WPCS New England Communications through State contract.

In Enfield, the 20-year old radio communication tower at the Public Safety Complex at 297 Elm Street will be replaced and a new tower will be erected by the Enfield Street School on Route 5. Both of these projects will be accomplished this autumn. Additionally, an antenna installed at the radio tower located at Tri-State Diesel on Depot Hill road. There will also be equipment upgrades to existing radio repeater sites at North Thompsonville Fire Station, the Shaker Pines Fire Station, and the communications tower which is located at the Town's transfer station on Town Farm Road. Finally, all 5 fire departments in Enfield's will receive new radios and alert pagers. Enfield Police, Emergency Medical Services, Emergency Management and Public Works will also receive new radios.

When this project is completed by summer 2012, the following goals will have been achieved:

Enfield will have complied with the Federal mandate which has a deadline of December 31, 2012.

All of Enfield's emergency first responders will have a vastly improved radio communications system which will have greater coverage than the existing system.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Feb. 11 -Wii Bowling Tournament 10:00 am. Compete against other children for the title of EPL Bowling Champion. Ages 8 and up. Sign-up beginning January 23rd.

March 16 -Jigsaw Puzzle Building Contest 3:45 pm. Drop in after school and build a puzzle. Prizes will be awarded. Ages 5 and up. (Drop-in)

March 20 -Bach 2 Rock 6:30 pm Interactive and fun! Caryn Lin using an electric violin, guitar, drums & sound looping equipment will introduce children to Bach while sharing important messages about following your dreams and anti-bullying! This program is sponsored by a grant from Target. Ages 5 and up.



Receive a Kindle or Nook for Christmas? Did you know that you can borrow e-books from the Enfield Public Library? Come to an instructional class for e-book beginners on Monday, February, 13, 2012 at 7:00. The e-book class will be showing participants how to browse Overdrive, the downloadable digital catalog; select items; check them out, and download items to your computers and e-book readers. Come prepared with questions! All programs at the Enfield Public Library are free and all are welcome. Please contact the library with any questions (860) 763-7512.

TOWN COUNCIL GOAL SETTING



EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

5 Years of Service

Matthew Coppler, Town Manager
Eileen Gardner, Social Services
Theresa Garvey, Public Works
Lisa Guillerault, Water Pollution Control
Richard Gutska, Police Department
Eric Hoover, Police Department
Sandra Jordan, Social Services
Ronald Larussa, Public Works
Peter Lipka, Information Technology
Carrie-Ann Liquore, Social Services
Ann Lucero, EMS
Delbert Lumbert, Public Works
Roberta Merrigan, Library
Michael Parkman, Public Works
Gesenia Perez, Police Department
Anne Polaski, Social Services
Michael Rose, Public Works
Robert Solomon, Public Works
Eileen Tassistro, Police Department
Keith Taylor, EMS
James Waibel, Police Department
Erika Whetzel, Social Services

10 Years of Service

Katherine Blanchard, Finance
Theresa Butler, Police Department
Benjiman Carlton, Police Department
Lynn Daniel, Social Services
Christopher Degray, Public Works
John Doody, Public Works
Thomas Dugan, Information Technology
Joseph Fillmore, Police Department
Jason Howland, Public Works

10 Years Continued

Jeremy Kakluskas, Public Works
Jamie Kreller, Public Works
Carl Merrick, Information Technology
Alston Parker, Public Works
Marie Pronsky, Finance
Marianne Robinson, Social Services
Victoria Rose, Finance
Kimberly Silva, Social Services
Robert Sperrazza, Information Technology
Bret St Louis, Public Works
Edward Yiznitsky, Public Works

15 Years of Service

Peter Burk, Public Works
Patrick Carifa, Police Department
Rick Davenport, Public Works
Charles Grasso, Police Department
Virginia Higley, Development Services
Christopher Moylan, Police Department
Michael Rotondaro, Police Officer
Raymond Warren, Development Services

20 Years of Service

Judith Brand, Public Works
Brendan Devine, Police Department
Mary Palomba, Library
Daniel Vindigni, Town Manager

25 Years of Service

Michael Krzynowek, Police Department
Richard Presutti, Public Works
William Viewig, Police Department
William Zaczynski, Public Works

30 Years of Service

Dennis Beaudet, Police Department
Alan Lavaway, Public Works
Dancy Weaver, Public Works

DIRECTORY OF TOWN SERVICES

Emergency Number for Fire, Police and EMS 911

Police Department, 293 Elm Street

Director of Public Safety Chris Bromson 763-8913
Chief of Police Carl Sferrazza 763-8913
Non Emergencies 763-6400

Town Hall, 820 Enfield Street 253-6300

Assessor's Office 253-6339
Building Inspector James Taylor 253-6370
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Technology Paul Russell 253-6454
Planning Jose Giner 253-6356
Purchasing Cathy Cherpak 253-6329
Tax Office 253-6340
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Treasurer 253-6326

Social Services, 100 High Street 253-6395

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Adult Day Care Paula Vaicekauskas 763-7538
Community Development Peter Bryanton 253-6390
Congregate Living Marianne Robinson 763-7519
Child Day Care Karen Edelson 763-7003
Dial-A-Ride Annette Reed 272-3545
Emergency Fuel Joel Cox 253-6397
Child Development Center/Family Resource Center 253-5212
Family Resource Center/Alcorn Amy Morales 253-5144
Housing/Code Enforcement Rich Metcalf 253-6386
Neighborhood Services Joel Cox 253-6396
Senior Citizens Center Susan Lather 763-7425
Youth Center Christie Amsden 253-5004
Youth Services Jeanne Haughey 253-6380

Public Works, 40 Moody Road 763-7520

Director 763-7599
Highway 763-7561
Snow Removal/Leaf Collection 763-7527
Refuse Collection 763-7524
Heavy Trash Collection 763-7560
Water Pollution Control 253-6450

Recreation, Angelo Lamagna Center, 19 North Main Street

Supervisor Mary Keller 253-6420

Central Library, 104 Middle Road 763-7510

Director Henry Dutcher 763-7550
Pearl Street Branch Colleen Santanella 253-6433

EMS, 1296 Enfield Street 253-5241

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